



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:

MILLER ET AL.

Serial No.: 10/082,989

Filed: February 26, 2002

Confirmation No.: 7048

Atty. File No.: 45568-00020

For: "METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR  
EXTERNAL ASSESSMENT OF HEARING  
AIDS THAT INCLUDE IMPLANTED  
ACTUATORS"

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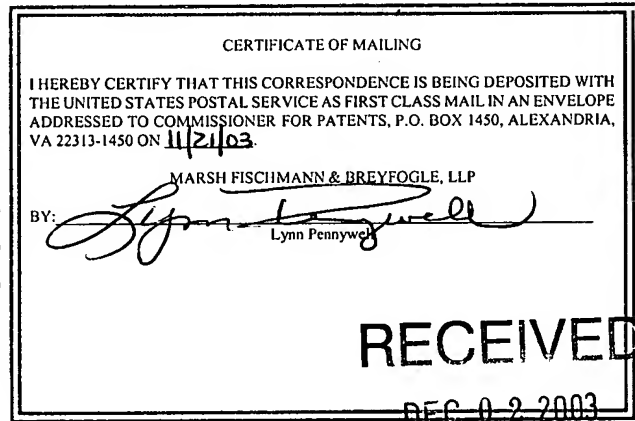
Dear Sir:

Applicant submits this Amendment and Response to address the Office Action having a mailing date of May 22, 2003 (Paper No. 3).

Enclosed herewith is a petition for a three-month extension of time, thereby extending the time period for response from August 22, 2003 to November 22, 2003, as well as a check in the amount of \$475.00 as the fee for such extension. Please credit any overpayment or charge any underpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1419.

Although the Applicant believes that no additional fees are due for the additional claims associated with filing this Amendment and Response, please charge any fees deemed necessary to Deposit Account No. 50-1419.

) Group Art Unit: 2644  
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) Examiner: Tony M. Jacobson  
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) AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE  
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Please amend Claims 1, 2, 4, 7-9, 16-27 and 31-33, cancel Claims 6, 10-15 and 28-30 and  
add new Claims 34-37 as follows:

<b>AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Small Entity)</b>				Docket No. <b>45568-00020</b>	
Applicant(s): <b>Miller et al.</b>					
Serial No. <b>10/082,989</b>	Filing Date <b>February 26, 2002</b>	Examiner <b>Tony M. Jacobson</b>	Group Art Unit <b>2644</b>		

Invention:

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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

☐ Small Entity status of this application has been established under 37 CFR 1.27 by a verified statement previously submitted.

☐ A verified statement to establish Small Entity status under 37 FR 1.27 is enclosed.

The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED					
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TOTAL CLAIMS	27 -	33 =	0 x	\$9.00	\$0.00
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Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/>					\$0.00
<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT</b>					<b>\$0.00</b>

☒ No additional fee is required for amendment.

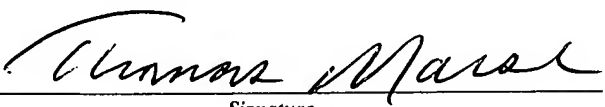
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☒ Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.

☐ Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.




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I certify that this document and fee is being deposited on **Nov. 21, 2003** with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.



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